

A SNAPSHOT OF **IONIA COUNTY**





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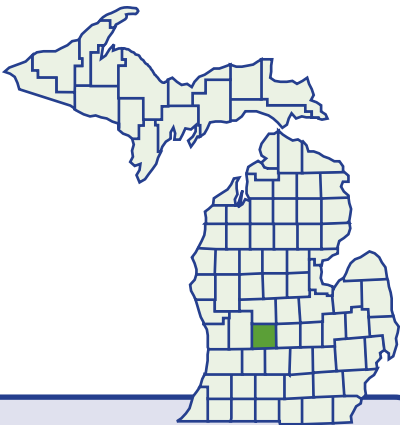
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Fast Facts

Population	63,909 people
Median age	36.8 years
Percent of people in poverty	15.4%
Median household income	\$ 47,892
Median home value	\$ 111,000
Top three economic sectors:	
Educational services, health care and social assistance	25%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation and accommodatin and food services	12.8%
Manufacturing	15.4%
Acres in:	
Farmland	248,418 acres



GENERAL POPULATION

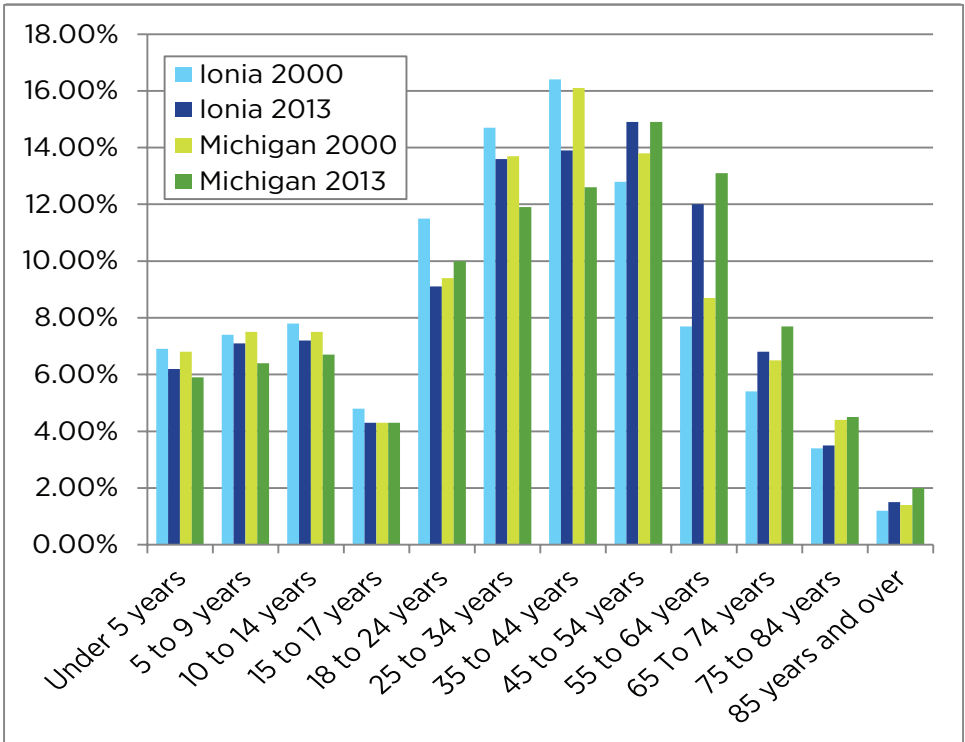
Year	Ionia County Population	Michigan Population
2000	61,518	9,938,444
2013	63,909	9,883,640

» The population in Ionia has increased from 2000 to 2013, while overall Michigan saw a decrease in total population.

Population Density (per sq. mile)

Year	Ionia Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)	Michigan Population Density (per sq. mile) / Area (Land)
2000	107.3 / 573.21	175.0 / 56,803.82
2013	111.9 / 571.3	174.9 / 56,538.90

Age Distribution



General Population, Continued

Gender

Year	Ionia County		Michigan	
	% Male	% Female	% Male	% Female
2000	53.5%	46.5%	49.0%	51.0%
2013	53.3%	46.7%	49.1%	50.9%

Race & Ethnicity

	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
White alone	90.6%	88.7%	78.6%	76.3%
Black or African American alone	4.5%	3.7%	14.1%	13.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Asian alone	0.3%	0.3%	1.8%	2.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0%	0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some other race alone	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more races	1.3%	2.3%	1.6%	2.1%
Hispanic or Latino	2.8%	4.5%	3.3%	4.5%



ECONOMY

Median Household Income

Median Household Income	Ionia County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$43,074	\$44,667
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$47,892	\$48,411

Per Capita Income

Per Capita Income	Ionia County	Michigan
In 1999 dollars	\$17,451	\$22,168
In 2013 inflation-adjusted dollars	\$20,206	\$25,681

» Per capita income is the average per-person income and is derived by dividing all the sources of income in an area by the total population.

Poverty

» Ionia Poverty Rate: 15.4% (6)
Michigan Poverty Rate: 14.8% (6)

Poverty Status	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Children under age 18:				
Living in poverty	11%	21.9 %	13.9%	23.6%
Not living in poverty	89%	78.1%	86.1%	76.4%
Age 18 to 64:				
Living in poverty	7.8%	15.1%	9.6%	16.2%
Not living in poverty	92.2%	84.9%	90.4%	83.8%
Age 65 and over:				
Living in poverty	8.1%	6.1%	8.2%	8.2%
Not living in poverty	91.9%	93.9%	91.8%	91.8%

Economy, Continued

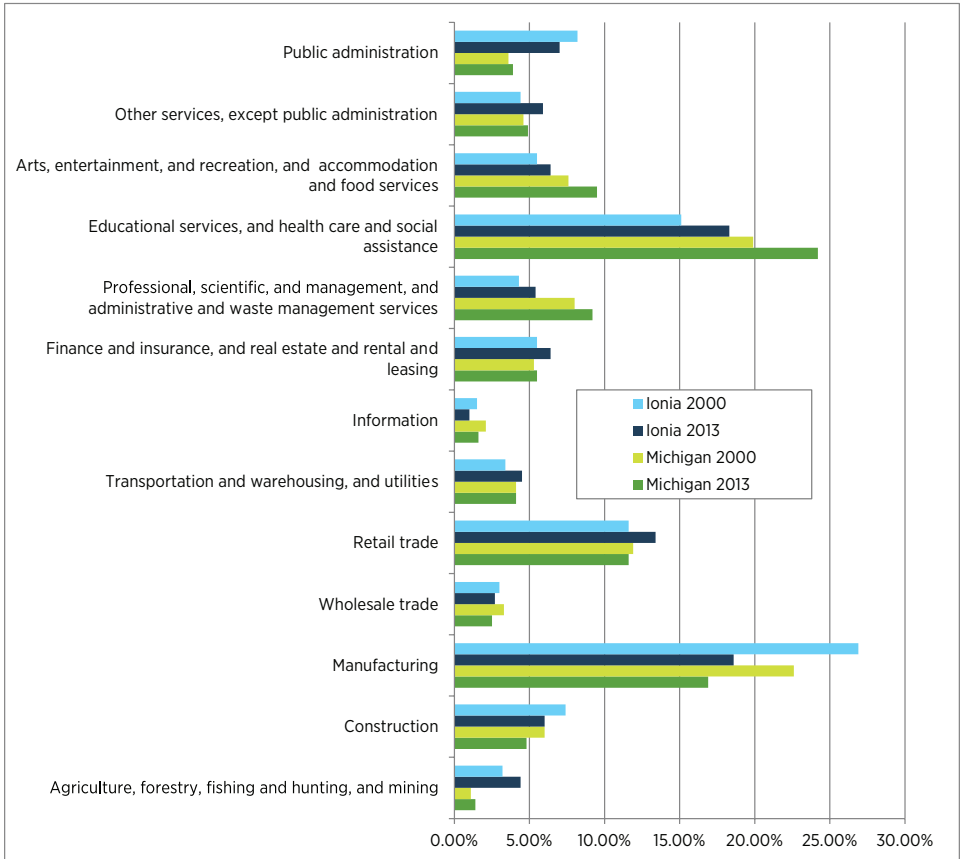
Labor Force

Employment Status for Total Population 16 Years and Over (2000)	Ionia County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	46,964		7,630,645	
In labor force	28,371	60.4%	4,926,463	64.6%
In armed forces	15	0%	4,010	0.1%
Civilian:	28,356	60.4%	4,922,453	64.5%
• Employed	27,065	57.6%	4,637,461	60.8%
• Unemployed	1,291	2.8%	284,992	3.7%
Not in labor force	18,593	39.6%	2,704,182	35.4%

Employment Status For Total Population 16 Years And Over (2013)	Ionia County		Michigan	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 16 years and over:	49786		7,865,350	
In labor force	29143	58.5%	4,864,014	61.8%
In armed forces	13	0%	4,597	0.1%
Civilian:	29130	58.5%	4,859,417	61.8%
• Employed	25633	51.5%	4,242,948	53.9%
• Unemployed	3497	7%	616,469	7.8%
Not in labor force	20643	41.5%	3,001,336	38.2%

Economy, Continued

Industry



» From 2000 to 2013, manufacturing decreased and the educational, health and social services sector increased in Ionia County. The same trend occurred for Michigan during that time.

Economy, Continued

Means of Transportation to Work (Age 16 Years and Over)

Means of Transportation to Work	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Car, truck, or van	93.1%	93.6%	92.9%	91.6%
Public transportation	0.2%	0.1%	1.4%	1.4%
Motorcycle	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%
Bicycle	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.5%
Walked	2%	1.7%	2.2%	2.2%
Other means	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%
Worked at home	3.9%	3.8%	2.8%	3.6%



AGRICULTURE

Highlights	Ionia County	Michigan
Acres in ag production (2)	248,418 acres	9,948,564 acres
Acres of state forest (5)	0 acres	3,907,504 acres
Number of farms (2)	1,109 farms	52,194 farms
Average size of farm (2)	224 acres	191 acres
Average age of principal operator of farm (2)	56.7 years	57.6 years
Farm gate sales (2)	\$406,147,000	\$8,678,050,000

Ionia top three areas of agriculture production (by volume of sales) (1):

- » Milk and other dairy products from cows
- » Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas
- » Cattle and calves

FAMILIES & HOUSEHOLDS



Housing Units

	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Housing Units	22,006	24,667	4,234,279	4,529,311

Average Household Size

	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Average Household Size	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5

Household Type

Household Type	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Family households:	73.5%	71.2%	68.0%	65.7%
• Married couple family	58.7%	55.1%	51.5%	48.5%
• Other family	14.8%	16.1%	16.5%	17.2%
- Male householder, no wife present	4.7%	4.4%	4.1%	4.4%
- Female householder, no husband present	10.1%	11.7%	12.4%	12.8%
Nonfamily households:	26.5%	28.8%	32.0%	34.3%
• Male householder	12.6%	14.4%	15.0%	16.0%
• Female householder	13.8%	14.5%	17.0%	18.4%

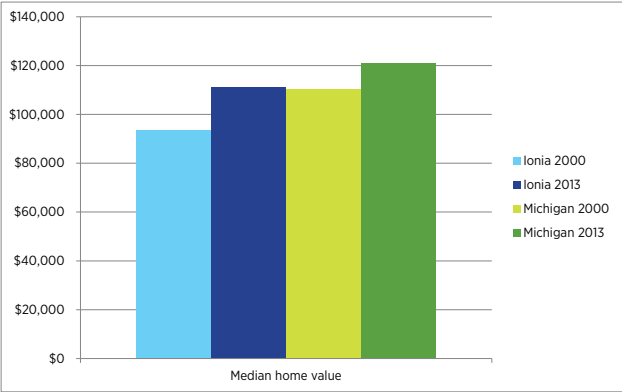
Marriages & Divorces

	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Marriages filed (3)	402	55,396
Divorces and annulments granted (3)	219	31,687

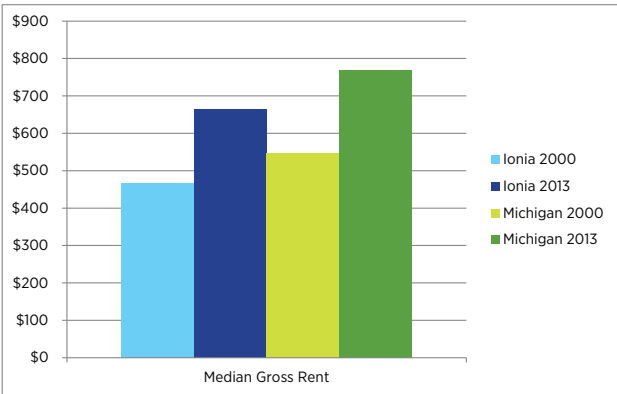


HOUSING

Median Home Value



Median Rent in Dollars per Month



Median Year Structure Built

	Ionia County		Michigan	
	2000	2013	2000	2013
Median year structure built	1964	1970	1965	1969

Type of Ownership

	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Owner-occupied housing units	17,319	2,757,062



HEALTH & MORTALITY

Leading Causes of Death – Adults

Causes of Death (3)	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Heart disease	155	24,143
Cancer	118	20,395
Chronic lower respiratory disease	36	5,547
Stroke	24	4,365
Accidents	27	4,194
Alzheimer's	18	3,228
Diabetes mellitus	14	2,821
Pneumonia/flu	4	1,892
Kidney disease	5	1,665
Suicide	9	1,296

Leading Causes of Death – Children Ages 1-19

Causes of Death (3)	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Accidents	-	213
Assault (homicide)	-	90
Suicide	-	88
Cancer	1	56
Congenital malformations	1	42

Obesity & Diabetes

	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Obesity (4)	33%	32%
Diabetic (4)	10%	10%

Health and Mortality, Continued

Children

	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
Live births (3)	747	113,732
Teen births (3)*	56	7,944
Children eligible for free lunch (4)	40%	41%

* Age of mother between 10–19.

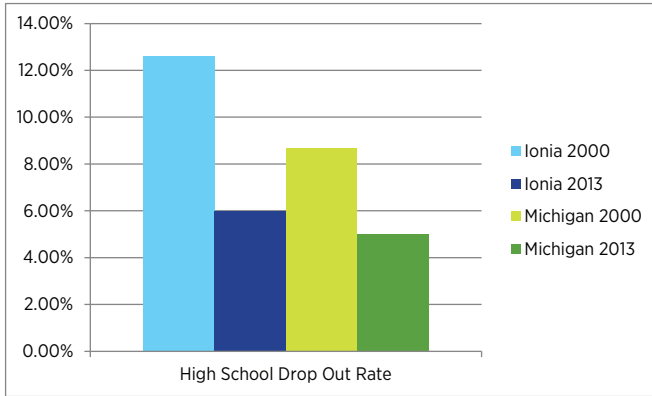
Health Insurance

	Ionia County	Michigan
	2013	2013
No health insurance coverage	10.5%	11.6%
With health insurance coverage:	89.5%	88.4%
• Public Health Coverage	33.8%	33.3%
• Private Health Insurance	69.7%	69.3%

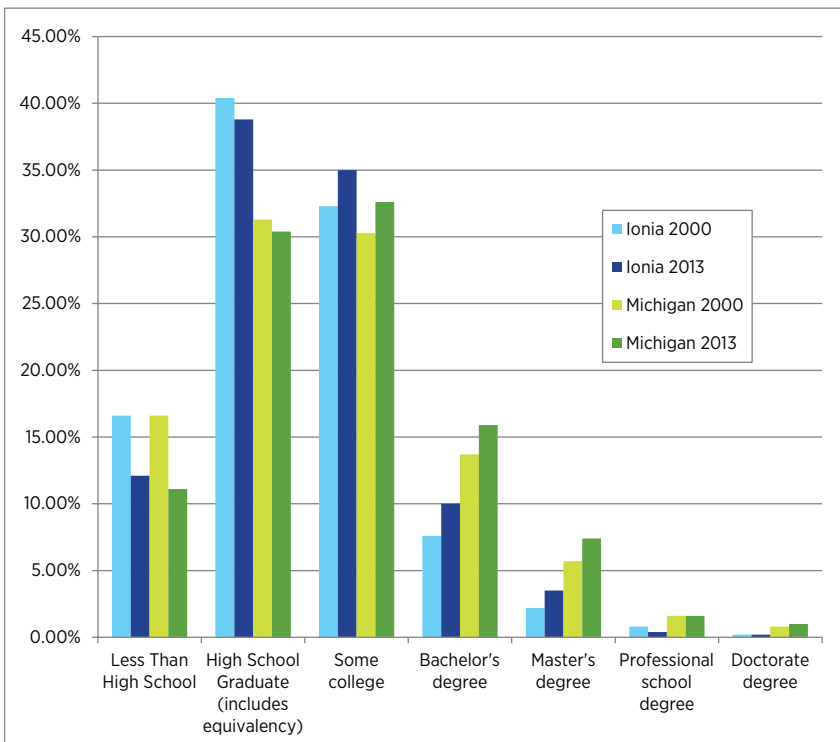
EDUCATION



High School Dropout Rate



Education Attainment



» The percentage of Ionia County residents with a bachelor's degree or more is 13.9% compared to Michigan residents with 25.9%



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